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RESERVED!

Have you ever been to a place and nd that all the best seats, or whatr you wanted, were reserved? Reved for whom? Why, reserved for se who planned ahead and let those charge know they were coming.

Some of our people have already reved their places for the coming nference at Asilomar. Are you one those who take thought for the rrow and get what you want?

Now is the time. Remember that can't hold a place for you unless tell us definitely that you are com-. And also tell us what kind of commodation you want. The prices printed in this issue. Let us know ee things when you make your resvation: When you will arrive and how long, the place you want to ep: tent, enclosed tent, inn or lodge l also, how many there will be in ir party. If you are alone, have you y choice of a room-mate? For all cept the single rooms in the lodge, re must be two in a room.

We want to help you, but we can't less you let us. In other words, you st help us to help you.

We are on trial this year with the sembly Grounds committee, to see w much we appreciate the privilege going to Asilomar for our Conferce. Unless we can fill the grounds can't have the exclusive Conferce use of them another year. And are so determined to show this mmittee that we mean business; t we are expecting this to be a nner year, with all delegations comete and many extra people along to joy it with us.

Read over the program in this issue, d then say if you can afford to miss e Conference this year! And then op us a line right away, telling us reserve your place for you, and ere you wish to stay while there.

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nthouses	$15.75	$2.50
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A REMINDER

As you know, The Pacific is published eleven months of the year—ery month except July.

Under ordinary circumstances, this the last number you will receive ior to Conference, unless we decide do as we did last year and issue the gust number a little early, to give u the last minute news just before u start for Asilomar.

But whatever we do in that way, is June issue is the last one a numr of those now reading it will reive, unless we receive a favorable ply to the circular letters we sent t early in May, asking the pastors have their members renew their subriptions, and asking individuals in aces where we have no churches or tside our Conference bounds, to renew their subscriptions. The Day of Reckoning is at hand.

Really, it is surprising to find how many of our people have forgotten to send in their renewals. So many of the expiration dates bear the figures 1925. And there are quite a number, more than we can count on all our fingers, whose expiration dates are earlier than these. Now, seriously, would you blame us very hard, if we decided that if these people did not think The Pacific was worth 25c a year to them, and stopped sending it to them? Is it worth that to you? If so, say it with coins, stamps, dollar bills, money orders or checks. All are acceptable.

But whatever you send in, please sure that your name is somewhere connected with your remittance. We have just received a few renewals without name, the only possible way we have of giving credit is by the postmark, and what if there should be more than one in the same place who subscribed?

Also, please note that the subscription price is 25c a year IN ADVANCE. Some people whose subscriptions expired in 1926 have sent in only 25c, which merely brings it up to date.

Adult Conference

TENTATIVE PROGRAM—1927

MONDAY, AUGUST 1

2:30 Devotions; Opening Business: Election of Scribe, Assistant Scribe and nominating committee. Committee appointments, Moderator David H. Dexter.
3:00 Address, "Music in the Church"—Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon
4:00 Study Class: Cavert's book—Prof. Kenneth J. Saunders
7:20 Vespers.
8:00 Address—Rev. H. H. Gill, D. D.
8:30 Address—Rev. James Robert Smith, D. D., Sec. Church Bldg. Society

TUESDAY, AUGUST 2

8:50 Study Class: Cavert's book—Prof. Kenneth J. Saunders
10:00 Business Session: Conference reports.
11:30 Addresses: "Echoes From the National Council"—Delegates
4:45 School of Song—Leader, Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon
7:20 Vespers.
8:00 Address—Rev. F. W. Hodgdon
8:30 Address—Rev. Laurence L. Cross, D. D.
(Joint Meeting with Young People)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 3

9:00 Study Class: Cavert's book—Prof. Kenneth J. Saunders
10:00 Business Session: Committee reports.
11:30 Address, "The Religion of Dean Inge"—Rev. W. W. Willard, D. D.
4:45 School of Song—Leader, Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon
7:20 Vespers.
8:00 Address—Rev. Chas. C. Merrill, Sec. Comm. on Missions
9:00 Pirates' and Stuck-Ups' Entertainment in the Social Hall.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4

9:00 Study Class: Burton's book—Rev. Obed S. Johnson, Ph. D.
10:00 Business Session.
10:45 Sectional Round Table:
Laity—Mr. Jerome O. Cross
Women—Mrs. H. F. Swartz
Pastors—Rev. Hugh V. White
4:45 School of Song—Leader, Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon
7:20 Vespers.
8:00 Address, Rev. Frank Dyer, D. D., Fraternal Delegate, So. Calif. Conference

FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

9:00 Study Class: Burton's book—Rev. Obed S. Johnson, Ph. D.
10:00 Forum: "Getting Empty Souls in Empty Pews", Introduced by Rev. Godfrey Matthews
11:00 Business Session.
4:45 School of Song—Leader, Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon
7:20 Vespers.
8:00 Stunts—In the Social Hall

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

9:00 Study Class—Rev. Obed S. Johnson, Ph. D.
10:00 Closing Business and Resolutions.
10:30 Address, "Respect of Law"—Judge Rolfe L. Thompson
4:45 School of Song—Leader, Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon
7:20 Concert—Leader, Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon
Pulpit Play, "Friends of Jesus"—Players' Club, Alameda Church

SUNDAY, AUGUST 7

11:00 Joint Service.
Sermon: "A Sense of What is Vital"—Rev. H. S. McCready
4:30 Vesper Service.
The Lord's Supper, administered by—Rev. C. H. Stevens
7:30 Joint Session with Young People.
Address, "What Ails Our Youth," Rev. Robert W. Gammon, D. D., Secretary Western Dept., Educational Society.
8:30 Fellowship Service—Rev. Harvey V. Miller

SACRAMENTO VALLEY ASSOCIATION

Sacramento Valley Association met with the Sacramento church Monday and Tuesday, May 16th and 17th. Six students from the Pacific School of Religion gave very inspiring and helpful addresses on the call to the ministry, parish work and frontier service. Dr. James L. Barton of the American Board spoke on the foreign missionary progress around the world. Rev. William Moll Case of Reno was elected Moderator for the coming year and Dr. J. N. Ward of Auburn was elected the Assistant Moderator.

SONOMA ASSOCIATION

Sonoma Association was called to order by Prof. Bruce H. Painter, Superintendent of Schools of Petaluma, May 18th at the Guerneville Church. The Association was well attended, every church being represented. However, among those otherwise always present, Dr. and Mrs. Rathbone were missed, to whom the Association sent a message of sympathy and prayer for the speedy recovery of Mrs. Rathbone. A resolution was also unanimously adopted expressing regret for the leaving of Rev. Henry Stauffer of Petaluma and appreciation of his uplifting fellowship.

Interesting addresses were given by Rev. Isaac Cookman on "The Sunday School," by Rev. J. C. Holmes on "The Mission of the Church," by Mrs. A. P. Peck on "China's Greatest Need" and finally closing the afternoon session, an address by Supt. Wm. J. Minchin on "Our Present Conference Status."

Rev. J. C. Holmes was elected Moderator for the coming year and Dr. L. D. Rathbone, Registrar.

Rev. W. E. Eckles was elected our representative at the National Council.

During the noon hour a basket lunch was enjoyed under the redwoods and in the evening the Guerneville ladies served dinner in the church parlors. Comment should also be made of the attractiveness of the church, reconditioned under the leadership of Pastor and Mrs. G. S. Brett.

The evening session was devoted to an address by Dr. James L. Barton of Boston.

AMERICAN BOARD DEBT HAS BEEN LIQUIDATED

The announcement was made at Omaha that the entire indebtedness of the American Board, amounting to $213,000 and of seven years' standing, had been liquidated. This is gratifying news indeed. This debt came upon the Board, we understand, though no fault of its own, but was due to the high rate of exchange abroad during war times. In securing the money to wipe out this large debt, it is stated that only ninety persons were approached, and that no printed appeal was sent out. The appeal, moreover, was made with the full cooperation with the apportionment plan and approval of the promotional council. It is gratifying to the Board that it can now receive the Woman's Boards, coming as they do with even accounts, with its own balance sheet clean.

SANTA CLARA ASSOCIATION

The meeting this year was at Redwood City. The atendance was large and representative. The reports from the churches were encouraging. The program was strong. The Moderator, Mr. Joseph T. Brooks of San Jose, one of our strong laymen, made a fine presiding officer. The devotional periods, three in number, were especially attractive and helpful. B. C. Preston again proved that he is a good song leader, and R. D. Douglass was inspiring in his devotional addresses. H. H. Wolford gave a thoughtful sermon. The paper by E. C. Oakley on "Why I Am Not An Athiest" was searching. The representatives from the Pacific School of Religion, by their winsomeness and charm, captivated us. Dr. James L. Barton fed our souls. The Redwood people proved themselves to be gracious, ideal hosts. It was a worthwhile meeting.

THE BAY ASSOCIATION

The spring meeting of the Bay Association was held in New Pilgrim Church, East Oakland, on Friday, May 20. Rev. Harvey V. Miller, Assistant Moderator, called the meeting to order and presided at the business hour and during the program.

Two addresses were given. The first was by Rev. Harvey V. Miller and was given in connection with the devotional period. The other was by Rev. Robert E. Brown on the theme, "The Philosophy of Disaster."

This was followed by a Council which examined Mr. Everett C. Blake as to his fitness for ordination service. The sermon was preached by Dr. James L. Barton. Mr. Blake plans to work under the American Board in the Near East.

FEDERATION MEETING

The Federation of Congregational Women of Northern California had a treat, in fact two treats, at its May executive meeting.

We had for our guest in the morning Miss Isham, whom we all delight to honor, from New Mexico. Her earnest plea for the people of New Mexico is medical training for the workers. And she had recently been an eye witness to the annual rites of the order of the Penitiates—a product of the old country catholicism—she gave a brief account of the ceremonies leading up to the pilgrimage to the twelve stations, with the attendant scourging of their bodies for past sins and those to follow—all in the name of religion. It is hard to believe that such things can persist down to the year 1927, in these United States of America.

Many outside friends came in the afternoon to greet Dr. Alma Cooke of Lintsing, China, and hear her story of her seven years of hospital work in that city. A most fascinating story it was of endeavor and success.

Has missionary effort failed in China as we so often read in the public press? Far from it. Changes there have been and in many cases happily so. Native doctors trained under Dr. Cooke, fine, capable men are assuming responsibilities they have heretofore refused to assume, thereby making it possible for more itinerary medical work in the country among women and children. There was no tone of discouragement in anything Dr. Cooke said; only the way was long and needed the friendly hand of the missionary as never before.

At the close of the meeting we were ushered into the church parlors where the hospitality committee were serving tea in honor of Dr. Cooke, Mrs. Barbour and Miss Barnard presiding at either end of the long table. It gave us a chance, as Mrs. Helfer, our able vice-president aptly said, to put any question we might have hesitated to ask in the more formal meeting, and was a delightful hour.

In fact, the Federation had three treats at its May executive meeting.—MRS. J. P. PRUTZMAN.

PROGRAM, YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE

Conference Executive and Dean of Men.....Rev. Jerome C. Holmes
Dean of Women.....Dr. Josephine Kennedy
Assistant.....Miss Reva E. Patrick
Chaplain.....Rev. F. W. Morrison
Director of Music.....Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon
Director of Recreation.....Reg. C. Fulton

MONDAY, AUGUST 1

12:30 Luncheon
1:30 Enrollment and assignment to rooms
3:00 Music in the church.....Mrs. Hodgdon
4:30 Conference Council meeting
6:00 Dinner

DAILY SCHEDULE—Mornings

6:30 Rising bell
7:15 Breakfast
8:10 Chapel.....Mr. Morrison
8:40 "Jesus' Way of Life" (H. S.).....Mr. Miller
"Social Teachings of the Prophets" (C).....Dr. Hodgdon
9:30 "New Paths for Old Purposes" (H. S.).....Dr. Johnson
"Psychology of Religion" (C).....Mr. White
10:20 Recess
10:35 "Methods of Organization" (H. S.).....Prof. Tuttle
"China" (C).....Mr. Whitaker
11:25 "Life Problems" (H. S.).....Dr. Stark
"Music Appreciation" (C).....Mrs. Hodgdon

Afternoons

12:30 Luncheon
1:30 Rest period
2:30 Directed recreation
4:45 School of Song.....Leader, Mrs. F. W. Hodgdon
Committee meetings
Conference opportunities with leaders and faculty
6:00 Dinner

Evenings

7:20 Vespers, led by Young People
8:00 Monday—Business session; introductions and general mixer
Address.....Mr. Morrison
Tuesday—Joint session
Addresses.....Dr. Hodgdon and Dr. Cross
Wednesday, 8-9—Campfire
9-10—Stuck-Ups and Pirates entertainment
Thursday—Address.....Prof. Harold S. Tuttle
Friday—Stunt night
Saturday—Concert and play
9:45 Group devotions in tenthouses
9:55 Retiring bell
10:15 Lights out

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

7:15 Rising bell
8:00 Breakfast
9:30 Church School
11:00 Church service, "A Sense of What Is Vital".....Rev. H. S. McCready
1:00 Luncheon
2:00 Quiet and rest period
4:00 Communion service
6:00 Dinner
7:15 Joint service; address.....Dr. Gammon
8:30 Candlelight service

Grass Valley—Rev. Elmer O. Chapel, pastor of the First Congregational Church of Grass Valley, has just completed a very successful series of evenings with colored stereopticon pictures, depicting the various fields of Congregationalism, including the early history of the denomination.

Speaking of helping themselves reminds one of the notable fact that our Chinese Christian friends of the Congregational way last year gave $80,000 toward the manifold work of the churches in China. On the basis of the American wage scale, that would be the equivalent of $1,500,000 U. S. money.

Reno—On a recent Sunday evening the church at Reno celebrated the anniversary of the federation of the Presbyterian and Congregational elements. At this celebration Congregation-"Al" was united in marriage to Presbteri-"An." All members of the church were called upon to rise and ratify this happy announcement. During the year past the church showed a net gain of twenty-seven family units representing fifty-four individuals. An additional forty feet of property has been purchased for a parish house.

Santa Cruz—The Men's Club gave a dinner to which the church family was invited on the evening of May 10. About 170 enjoyed the meal, the young men of the church serving. It was unusually informal and a happy event of the church life. Following the supper came the singing of popular songs from the screen and also a comedy in picture. There were also other program numbers.

The ladies are planning to close their work before the summer vacation by a picnic in June.

The motion picture machine purchased through the Men's Club, is proving of real value. The smallest attendance since it was installed last fall was 240, the highest when the film "The Man Nobody Knows," was given, 570. The evening attendance seldom falls below 400 and frequently it goes beyond 500. These nights the church gallery is never closed. The singing from the screen, many being the old time gospel hymns, is inspiring. The service, including prayers and readings for the people, are carefully planned by the pastor, Dr. B. M. Palmer and this is one of the finest parts of the service.

Sacramento—The campaign for the completion of the financing of our new church at Sacramento while falling short of the goal desired, was a great success considering the fact that there have been three such campaigns in three years. Something over $40,000 in new resources was secured.

JUSTICE OPERATES

The Pacific has been notified t judgment has been given to Rev. Hong, whose little son was killed an automobile accident on Septem 1, 1926. Following the tragedy paper printed an article concerning which article reached the attentio attorney, Mr. Robert E. Hatch, was handling the case. He has w ten us asking that in fairness to tice, we give recognition of the ac of the court. With pleasure we qu two paragraphs from his letter the hope that those who read our icle in the September number credit justice with swift and gener action.

"In your publication of Septem 1926, on page 2, line 4, appeared article with regard to the 'Tra Tragedy.' Especially have I refere to the following: 'The public may s forget. The wheels of justice may to turn.'

"I am pleased to say that the t of this case ended yesterday in jury's bringing in a verdict of $7,30 against the driver of the automo This verdict, so far as I know, is largest that ever has been rendere San Francisco for the death of a c —American or otherwise."

Loomis—The Pastor and Mrs. R Day of Loomis, are about to m into the new six-room parson which is just being completed.

DR. HARLEY H. GILL RECOGNIZ

We of the West think a wise cho was made in the selection of Harley H. Gill as a member of Committee of Thirty-six for the Ho Boards. This appointment comes a merited recognition of the value the whole task of Dr. Gill, who for several years been a member the Extension Boards and has d excellent service in that capacity. is hoped that Dr. Gill will see his clear to accept this new responsibil

IN MEMORIAM

Dr. Francis E. Clark

In the death of the late Dr. Fran E. Clark the world loses one of outstanding religious leaders. He a Congregationalist, but long since labors and influence passed beyo denominational lines. While alw counting him one of our own, we h taken a peculiar delight in loan him to the larger work for which genius and spirit so well fitted h The young people of many lands l by his passing the bodily presence a noble friend; but they retain the dying memory of a great and good l

Rev. Thomas G. Lewis

Rev. Thomas G. Lewis, one of faithful ministers of other days, has for some time been laid aside fr active service by illness, has just di Rev. G. E. Atkinson, an old frie was present at the funeral and c ducted the service.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION

Central Association met at L Tuesday, May 17. This was the b meeting yet in real spiritual pow and worthwhileness. Sixty-eight de gates were present. Addresses by D con H. C. Wetmore of Lodi and R H. V. White of Stockton were of s cial merit. The next meeting will at Ripon.

One Schauffler graduate (Echauff Institute in Cleveland is carried to train Christian workers) is wo ing in a daily kindergarten school the city of Cleveland. In that Oln Kindergarten she has thirteen nati alities represented. The childr speak ten different languages in th homes; but they all understand E lish and appreciate human kindlin in the name of the Master.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CONFERENCE SECTION

ANNUAL MEETING

ıe Forty-First Annual Meeting of Southern California Congrega- ıl Conference was held with the t Congregational Church of Red- s, May 7th to 11th. The Young ple's section began with registra- on Saturday at 3 p. m. and closed the vesper service on Sunday rnoon. 165 young people beyond ninth grade, representing 35 rches, were in attendance, being ıed in the homes of Redlands resi- s. The young people participated ıe discussions readily and revealed powers of leadership. The Young ple's Conference closed with the per Service on Sunday at 3:45 p. ıt Kimberly Crest, a beautiful set- . Prof. Raymond C. Brooks gave closing address on "International d Will." Mrs. Kimberly, who ıed her grounds and beautiful ıe to the Young People, made a t gracious hostess.

n Monday morning, Rev. James L. ton and Rev. Robert W. Gammon, le addresses to ministers and oth- who gathered in large numbers. noonday luncheon for pastors and rch school workers under the di- ion of Prof. C. N. Hand, called ether nearly 200 questionnaires had been sent out to the tors and superintendents and more n 80 churches responded, showing reasing efficiency on the part of Sunday School workers, and a de- for better preparation of teachers, ough Teacher Training Institutes, ominational and inter-denomina- ıal.

he regular meeting of the Confer- e began on Monday, at 2 p. m. with Charles E. Spaulding, Moderator, siding. The following committees re appointed:

Business—Rev. A. P. Davis, Rev. E. Day, Mr. J. S. Edwards.

Resolutions—Rev. Shelton Bissell, v. E. D. Gaylord, Mrs. Lawrence lson.

Credentials—Rev. A. S. Donat, Rev. gene B. Smith, Rev. Chas. L. ight.

he program proceeded as printed h only one exception, in the ab- ce of Rev. D. T. Thomas, who has ıe East, Rev. Holland F. Burr, pre- ed with Rev. Paul A. Davies in the ıduct of the Lord's Supper at the sper Service. At the banquet on nday evening, which was attended 250 persons, the Moderator intro- ed the new pastors of whom there med to be many.

he annual report of the Confer- e Superintendent and Registrar sented the following interesting ts regarding the Conference work 1926: Number of churches 119, mbership of the Conference is now 06 of whom 9841 are males and 65 are females; of the total nber 2193 are absentees. There re admitted on confession 1374, by letter 1908, a total of 3282, ich was about 50 less than 1925. There were removed by th 311, by letter 962 and revision the roll 1431, a total of 2704, mak- a net gain of 578. The removals re nearly 600 more than in 1925. movals by revision of the roll were re than the total removals by death letter. 256 of these removals ap- r in the dropped churches, but n so these removals by revision of roll represent an unusually large nber. Baptisms—Adults 410, in- ts 612. Churches report 22,874 fam- s. The Sunday Schools report 38, a net loss of 142, due to drop- g of several churches from the roll. Young People's Societies report 4280, a gain of 462 over 1925.

As to benevolences, the gifts on the Apportionment amounted to $132,782, the largest in the history of the Conference except for 1925 when it was $142,746. The total benevolences amounted to $176,583, the smallest since 1921. This is due in part to the large amounts which the churches have been putting into the new buildings. The per capita on the Apportionment, on the basis of the total membership including absentees as reported January 1, 1925, was $5.05 and for total Apportionment $6.61. The per capita on the Apportionment has varied but little since 1921. During this period of six years, the average per capita on the apportionment is $5.24. In 1912 it was $2.14, so that we have more than doubled the per capita since 1912. The average per capita for total benevolences in the last six years is $8.86. In 1912 it was $3.97, so that we have more than doubled the per capita on total benevolences.

The Home Expenses were $766,896, an average of $29.15 per capita. The average per capita for current expenses during the last six years has been $30.06. The total salaries amounted to $254,913, average $2,398.42. The value of church property is reported $5,980,735, showing an increase of church property of $584,467.

The Superintendent reported as follows for himself: Preached 49 sermons, made 130 addresses, attended 178 committee meetings and made 122 visits to churches.

The Congregational Book Room has become an important factor in the education and extension work of the Conference. The Book Room pays $75.00 a month towards the rent and could pay more if all the churches and ministers ordered their supplies of church and Sunday school materials, books and magazines through the Book Room. Satisfactory arrangements have been made with the Pilgrim Press, so that the Conference receives a commission on all supplies by whomsoever published, if they are ordered through the Pilgrim Press and the Conference Book Room.

Pledges amounting to $170,691.84 were made in behalf of the Pilgrim Memorial Fund in 1921. On these pledges $141,346.33 has been paid; $11,886.75 has been cancelled; $17,458.76 remains unpaid. After trying every way to collect the outstanding pledges, the Pilgrim Memorial Fund turned over to our office, November 1926, pledges amounting to $17,458.76 for collection. Since that time we have collected directly and indirectly $605.34; $527.00 has been cancelled, bringing the amount outstanding at the present time to $16,326.42. Several churches have agreed to meet their outstanding pledges. I heartily commend this plan to all of our churches, namely that they should pay through our office the outstanding pledges within their membership. This ought not to be a difficult matter for the new people who have joined within the last six years and made no contribution whatever to this important fund. Again all ministers in Southern California are urged to write directly to Rev. Charles S. Mills for information regarding premiums and annuities.

Herewith follows the report of the delegates from the Credentials Committee:

Churches represented, 84.	
Pastors in Attendance	78
Delegates in Attendance	149
Ministers in Attendance	45
Honorary Members in Attendance	5
Total	277

One of the most impressive parts of the Conference was the Memorial Service on Tuesday noon when seven Ministers gave brief memorial addresses for seven ministers who had passed on during the year.

At the business meeting on Tuesday afternoon Rev. John Gardner, D.D., Pastor of the First Congregational Church of Riverside, was elected Moderator for the ensuing year. Herewith follows the list of the other persons elected to their various offices:

Board of Directors, terms expire in 1929 (to fill vacancies caused by resignations)—Mrs. Frederick Doolittle, Hollywood; Mrs. Lawrence A. Wilson, San Diego; Mrs. G. H. Schulte, Glen-

EIGHTH ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONFERENCE

Will be held at Pomona College, Claremont, June 25th to July 2nd. Registration will be limited to 250, 100 boys and 150 girls. It is designed for young people of High School above ninth grade, college and business ages. The registration fee is $2.50, the board and lodging for seven days will be $12.25. Girls will be housed in Harwood Court and the boys in the Training Quarters.

Herewith follows the outline of the program:

THE DAILY SCHEDULE—Morning

6:30 Rising.
7:00 Breakfast.
8:10 Chapel, under the leadership of classes on "Worship" and " Church Music"
8:40-9:35 BIBLE COURSES—
High School: First Year: I.
(1) Life of Jesus—
Rev. George F. Kenngott.
Miss Hope Potter.
Rev. A. M. Hanson.
Second Year: II.
(2) a. Paul and the Early Church, Rev. Luther Freeman.
b. Meaning of Religion, Rev. Paul Davies.
c. Modern Use of the Bible, Rev. Shelton Bissell.
Third Year: III.
(3) The Prophets, Rev. Charles L. Knight.
Courses I or II.
College:
(4) Meaning of Religion, Professor Raymond C. Brooks.
Adults:
(5) Youth and the Bible, Professor F. P. Woellner.
9:45-10:40 MISSION COURSES.
High School: First Year: I.
(1) a. Missions, Home and Foreign, Rev. Ralph B. Larkin.
b. Studies in Missionary Biography. Trail Blazers of the High Way, Rev. W. G. Pierce.
c. Rev. R. B. Whitaker.
Second Year: II.
(2) a. Missions, Home and Foreign, Rev. Ralph B. Larkin.
b. Studies in Missionary Biography. Trail Blazers of the High Way, Rev. W. G. Pierce.
c. Achieving World Brotherhood, Rev. Allan Hunter.
d. Rev. R. B. Whitaker.
Third Year:
(3) Courses I or II.
College:
(4) Comparative Religions, Rev. A. D. Stauffacher.
Adults:
(5) Work With Young People, Mr. C. A. Wolfe.
10:40-11:00 Relaxation Period.
11:00-11:55 TRAINING IN LEADERSHIP.
High School: First Year: I.
(1) Effective Young People's Work, Rev. A. O. Pritchard.
Second Year: II.
(2) a. Worship and the Church, Rev. E. D. Gaylord.
b. Boys' Work, Mr. Harold A. Wagner. (For I and II).
c. Church Music Appreciation, Rev. A. S. Donat.
Third Year: III.
(3) a. Problems of Life and Home, Mrs. E. D. Gaylord.
b. Teacher Training:
1. For Teachers of Primary—Story Telling, Mrs. L. C. Brockway.
2. For Teachers of Juniors, Mrs. Pearle V. Gentry.
3. For Teachers of Beginners, Mrs. H. P. Carnahan.
College:
(4) Problems of Life and Home III, Mrs. E. D. Gaylord.
Worship and the Church II.
Church Music Appreciation II.
Adults:
(5) Church History, Rev. H. V. Hartshorn.
12:15 Luncheon.

Afternoon

1:30 Rest and Relaxation.
3:00 Directed Recreation.
5:45 Dinner.

Evening

7:30-9:00—
Saturday: Conference Set-up, Rev. Holland F. Burr. A Play.
Sunday: 4:00 p. m., Tea in Bridges Court; 7:30 p. m., Musicale.
Monday: Conference Social.
Tuesday: Christ in Art.
Wednesday: Forum, Rev. Allan Hunter, and Class in World Brotherhood.
Thursday: Stunt Night.
Friday: Conference Address, Professor Raymond C. Brooks.
9:30-9:45 Group Quiet Hour with Counsellor.
10:00 Lights Out.

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The following committee was appointed by Rev. John Gardner, Moderator of the Southern California Congregational Conference by vote of the Conference for the purpose of seeing what, if anything, can be done to strengthen the churches and increase their membership: Mr. W. H. Porterfield, Chairman, San Diego; Rev. J. H. Hutchins, Rev. Luther Freeman, Rev. Frank Dyer, Rev. Lawrence A. Wilson, Rev. Henry K. Booth, Mr. C. E. Spaulding.

It was voted to adopt an apportionment for 1928 of $150,000, with the following percentages: 50 per cent for Conference Work; 20 per cent National Work, 30 per cent International Work, and to authorize the Conference Directors to make apportionments to the churches which had not themselves reported by April 1, 1928.

It was voted to accept the invitation of the Santa Ana Church to hold the next Annual Meeting at Santa Ana.

The local arrangements were about perfect. The Redlands people were especially generous in their hospitality. The Church choir sang at the evening meetings and the Pastor, Rev. H. C. Ide, seemed to have given attention to the last detail.

NEW MEMBERS

Herewith follows the list of the churches reporting new members since January 1, 1927:

Church	Letter	Confession	Reaffirmation	Total
Avalon	1	1	2	4
Barstow	1	2	..	3
Calipatria	16	13	..	29
Chula Vista	2	22	..	24
Claremont	..	..	..	39
Eagle Rock	..	25	..	25
Escondido	..	..	..	28
Glendale	..	23	..	23
Olivet, L. A.	..	30	..	30
Pilgrim, L. A.	3	..	4	7
Grace, L. A.	..	..	..	15
Long Beach Bay Shore	4	20	3	27
Burbank	..	..	..	18
National City	..	6	..	6
Oneonta, South Pasadena	24	17	4	45
Panama	..	..	..	5
Paso Robles	..	7	..	7
Perris	..	6	..	6
Pomona	32	47	..	74
Redlands	15	10	3	28
La Jolla	..	..	..	15
Hemet, San Jacinto	5	4	..	9
Santa Ana	44	18	..	62
Shafter	..	..	..	6
Venice	..	..	..	33
Yucaipa	..	..	..	6
Pacoima	..	..	..	14
Chino Mexican	..	..	..	7

NEWS ITEMS

The Vernon Avenue Congregational Church will transfer title to its property on Vernon avenue to the Congregational Church Extension Society of Los Angeles for the use of the Lincoln Memorial Congregational Church (colored). This church will move from its present location on East 34th near Central avenue to the Vernon Avenue Church just as soon as its new building is ready for occupancy. Ground breaking services of this church, which will bear the name of the Western Knolls Church, were held on Sunday, May 15, at 3 p. m., at its new location on South Gramercy place between West 70th and 71st streets. The following persons participated: Rev. Chas. D. Bulla, D.D., superintendent M. E. Church, South; Rev. Geo. F. Kenngott, superintendent Southern California Congregational Conference; Mr. Fred M. Wilcox, treasurer, Southern California Congregational Conference; Rev. E. E. Lightner, pastor, Lincoln Memorial Church; Mr. James Gillespie, Mrs. George Syer, Mrs. Hyla Davies, Mr. Glen Roberts; Rev. W. P. Hardy, pastor Berean Congregational Church.

Rev. Chas. H. Baldwin, called to the pastorate of the Logan Heights Congregational Church at San Diego, has been unable to accept because of the illness of his wife in North Easton, Mass.

Rev. John Gardner, D.D., pastor of the First Congregational Church of Riverside, will spend the summer in England.

Rev. Roy H. Campbell, pastor of the First Congregational Church of San Diego, will spend several months on leave of absence visiting Egypt, the Holy Land and other parts of Europe.

Barstow Congregational Church plans the erection of a new house of worship in the near future costing $16,000, toward which the First Congregational Church of Long Beach has pledged $4,000, the Conference $4,000, and it is expected that the Barstow Church and the Congregational Church Building Society will each add $4,000.

Messiah, Los Angeles, is rejoicing in the gift of $500 from Mrs. Ralph J. Tuttle and Mr. Andrew J. Joughin, Jr., who make this as a memorial gift from the estate of their mother, Mrs. Wilhelmine Joughin. Rev. Edward D. Gaylord has been preaching a series of psychological sermons recently. Among the subjects dealt with were, "Achieving Self-Control," "Faith and Fear," "Poise and Power" and "The Gospel of Health."

Lake Avenue, Pasadena, has recently bought the lot, 50 by 200, adjoining the church for $12,500. They had set as their goal for the Easter offering toward this fund $2,500. "They could and they did" go over the top, raising $9,082 more than the goal. Of this amount the Sunday School raised $863 and broke the record for attendance as well, 485 being present. They are now much encouraged to go ahead and raise the rest of the amount needed for the lot, and are looking forward to the building of an educational building as the first unit of an adequate church plant.

Mission Hills, San Diego—The young people are wide awake to the possibilities and opportunities of work for the Orientals of that city. They have had many joint meetings with the Chinese young people, much to the enjoyment and benefit of everyone. Recently they had a ping-pong tournament and though the Chinese were defeated they are asking for a return engagement to even things up. Six young men from this church have joined the Japan Party to be conducted by Mr. Paul Waterhouse, the Conference Extension secretary, during ten weeks this summer. Mr. William H. Fuller, a very progressive, efficient and spiritual leader, formerly a pastor in Illinois, has been giving a "Self" series of addresses at the Christian Endeavor meetings. The subjects for May were, "Self-Knowledge," "Self-Control," "Self-Denial," "Self-Sacrifice" and "Self-Dedication."

The San Diego Chinese Mission plans the erection of a new house of worship in the near future costing $15,000, toward which friends have already pledged $7,200. It is expected that the Chinese themselves will contribute at least $2,000 and that the Building Society will help materially.

Plans are under way for the erection of a new house of worship for the Mexican Church in Pomona costing $15,000.

Rev. Harold V. Hartshorn begins his pastorate at the Highland Church on June 1, leaving a vacancy at Hemet-San Jacinto.

Rev. Burton Y. Neal has accepted the call to the pastorate of the Buena Park Church beginning immediately.

The Bethany Rawson Memorial Congregational Church will erect a parsonage costing $4,500 on land adjoining the church, in the near future.

The First Congregational Church of Los Angeles has received the generous gift from Mrs. Shatto of a large lot at the northeast corner of Sixth and Commonwealth. They plan to erect a fine new house of worship thereon.

Rev. T. M. Patterson has been called to the pastorate of the Mayflower Church of Los Angeles. Rev. Samuel Hitchcock, former pastor of the church, begins his pastorate at the Pilgrim Church, Los Angeles, auspiciously.

The First Congregational Church of Pasadena has begun the erection of its new house of worship.

Rev. Herbert C. Ide, pastor of First Congregational Church of P lands, expects to spend the sum on a trip to the South Sea Islands.

Rev. T. H. Harper, for seven ye pastor of the Central Congregatio Church of Dallas, Texas, began work as associate pastor with F Frank Dyer in connection with Wilshire Boulevard Congregatio Church on Sunday morning, May 1

The Westwood Hills Congregatio Church plans the erection of its f unit, costing $25,000 to $30,000, on site at the corner of Westwood ave and La Grange, not far from the of the new university.

The next annual meeting of Southern California Women's Miss ary Society will be held in the W tier Congregational Church. At t recent annual meeting the follow new officers were elected: Presid Mrs. E. B. Allen; vice-president, M E. D. Gaylord; second vice-presid Mrs. Paul B. Waterhouse.

The Bloomington Congregatio Church, Rev. E. B. Service, pastor, just completed a new addition to church consisting of five sepa class rooms, to take care of the l Sunday School, a dining room modern kitchen. The auditorium been enlarged, redecorated and nished. The church is rapidly adv ing, eighteen members being rece in the last few months.

"The teachers tell me this co is the best thing that has ever pened to our school, and I can ass you that my own work in this church has become pleasanter day because of this cultural b ground. . . . This teacher t ing course is largely respons ble." says Rev. Cornelius Fersch, Gre N. Y., commenting on a course vided by the Education Society exists to extend just that sort of vice to all who will avail themse of it.

Long Beach First—Had a g treat in the Washington Gladden banquet on May 12 when Mr. Ja William Foley of Pasadena, the known poet, noted entertainer brilliant lecturer gave the addres the evening, entitled "Good Hum He lived up to his reputation for wholesome and constructive hu good sense and sound advice w he weaves into his poetry and w has made his name a household in America. Every one who was ent felt that it was one of the successful evenings which the had had for a long time.

Editor's Note: All church from Southern California Confer must clear through Dr. Kenngott.

During the century ending in Congregational folk gave more $36,000,000 for the founding, nu ing and developing of new chur in the homeland, exclusive of f ter purpose more than $40,000 ter purpose more than $440,000 has been given in the last half tury. These things have been dire contributory to the nearly 200 cent growth of the Congregati fellowship in the last fifty years

MESSAGE OF LOVE

This is a two-reel moving pict depicting the arrival of Friend Dolls in Japan, receptions tendered doll arrivals and scenes incidenta the celebration of Hina Matsur Dolls' Festival by Japanese Girls. T. Yamamoto, manager Nippon Y Kaisha, 551 Market street, San F cisco, invites you to show this pict